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A GREAT RECORD

Made by the Natural Gas Company of West Virginia

DURING THE LAST COLD SNAP.

Wheeling was the Only Natural Gas Town in the Country in Which There Wasn't a Shortage of Fuel During the Week of Remarkably Cold Weather—The Company is the Recipient of Many Congratulations.

The excellent supply of gas maintained by the Natural Gas Company of West Virginia during the recent cold weather, has been very favorably commented upon. The consumers have felt secure in the service given by the company and complaints of insufficient volume of gas have been less than in years when the weather has been more moderate and the demands for gas less urgent.

In conversation with an official of the Natural Gas Company of West Virginia, an Intelligencer reporter referred to the satisfactory service and expressed surprise at the increased volume of gas.

"When the people of Wheeling, through the city council, showed a spirit of conciliation, instead of the former antipathy which existed, the management laid out expensive improvements which have made the supply secure for years to come, and the pressure of such accidents as to prevent any shortage, accidents excepted. A new field of 20,000 acres in Greene county, Pa., has been secured, of which the company has exclusive control, thus insuring the use of economical and conservative methods of production. This field has been drilled to the bottom sand, and the depth of the pay streak insures a lasting supply. By controlling the field new wells are drilled only when the demand becomes greater, and all loss is therefore obviated. Heretofore, the gas supply in fields where oil indications have been promising, has been exhausted in order to make the oil production more prolific.

"The average person is not familiar with the expense connected with the development and maintenance of a gas field. In the Greene county field, the supply is reached at a depth of 2,000 feet and each well costs \$10,000 for the drilling and casing, whether the well is a producer of gas or not. The care of such a large tract of territory is also an item of expense. In the recent cold snap large numbers of men were employed night and day, patrolling the different branch lines, building fires to prevent the freezing of the mains and guarding against breaks and leaks. The low temperature also increases the difficulty of handling the gas and the operation of the field. The crude gas from the well is accompanied by salt water, paraffine, and other impurities, which are eliminated under ordinary conditions, by a system of drips, and this also adds an element of trouble during cold weather."

The reporter then inquired as to improvements in the system and was informed that much new work had been done during the past summer, which made the distribution of the gas to the consumers more uniform and regular. The system of regulators and gasometers has been brought to such a state of perfection that the pressure can be reduced or increased at will, and any desired number of sources maintained indefinitely. Much of the old pipe has been removed and new lines have been laid, while new mains have been placed in streets, which hitherto had only individual service lines. The end is not reached yet, as new work has been laid out for the coming season, which will increase the company's facilities for the distribution of its product.

One great difficulty encountered in portions of the city, on the South Side especially, is the fact that many of the streets have been filled and made from cinders, glass house slag, and other factory refuse. Iron pipes laid in this artificial soil succumb readily to chemical action and necessitate their replacement in a few years.

One of the factors leading to some friction between the citizens and the company in the past has been the popular idea that the gas company has been making large sums yearly from the sale of gas in this city. A fact not generally known is that for the past five years the stockholders have received no dividends on their investment.

The official called attention to the fact that the city of Wheeling was the only city in the country that had a sufficient supply of gas during the recent cold weather. Pittsburgh, and the Pennsylvania and Indiana gas towns were frozen up and the supply of gas was practically nil. The company has been congratulated from many sources upon its good supply of gas and feels repaid for its efforts to maintain an ample volume for all requirements of the citizens of Wheeling. The promise of the future is exceptionally bright, and leads to the expectation of a continuance of the pleasant relations now existing.

MODERATE WEATHER

Will Continue To-day—No Cold Weather is in Sight.

The prevailing weather will continue to-day at least. The forecast is for slightly cloudy weather, with but slight changes in temperature. Moderate weather prevails all over the United States, and there is nothing on the map or in the reports to indicate any cold weather coming this way. Forecast Officer Frank Ridgeway, of Pittsburgh, says there need be no fear of flood, at least for several days. He says it will take from twelve to fifteen hours of hard rain before much water is run into the river, as the snow is so dry that it will absorb considerable moisture. Light rains are falling up the Monongahela, but not enough to do any harm. During the last twenty-four hours the temperatures have fallen in all sections west of the Mississippi Valley. Warmer elsewhere.

A Telephone Directory.

The American Telephone Directory Company, of Pittsburgh, is distributing to telephone subscribers in Greater Wheeling a novel and convenient directory. The numerical index is a feature that will prove very useful in cases where the number only is known. Each page (on cardboard) is hinged, and fits in a wall rack. From time to time the directory is brought up to date by the insertion of new pages where the changes in firms and numbers occur. An inspection of the directory will readily reveal its many advantages.

Stealing Coal from Cars.

Yesterday morning, three men who own boat houses along the river front, were arrested by Constable Morris, on the charge of stealing coal from the Handley railroad cars. The men were Frank Delpap, Frank Cordon and George McDonald, and their hearing will occur before Squire Rogers, Tuesday at 1 p. m. The charges were preferred by W. M. Johnson, the Pan-Handle's efficient officer.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

ASCRAPI OF HISTORY

How the Late Mr. Campbell was Chosen to the Famous Convention of 1880.

TO THE Editor of the Intelligencer. SIR:—I was grieved to learn from your paper to-day of the sudden and untimely death of Mr. A. W. Campbell.

I read carefully what you say about his "career," and I certify to every word the article contains. I considered "Archie" Campbell, as he was for many years familiarly called, the foremost man in the state. He was the Nestor of the Republican party in West Virginia.

As a writer, Mr. Campbell was in the front rank. Forty years ago, small as the paper was then, his editorials were largely copied, and of late years his correspondence could not be excelled by any writer. By his death, his friends, state and country suffer an irreparable loss.

In his career among other things is mentioned of his being a delegate in 1880 to the Republican national convention. Allow me to remark that the writer, in a small way, was instrumental in Mr. Campbell being sent. I was a delegate to the state convention at that time from Mason county. The delegates from the lower part of the state chartered a boat for the round trip, the Ohio River road not being then built. The convention was large and noisy. For some reason, the delegates-at-large were selected last. It was getting late, and our boat was tied for departure. Our county was entitled to 17 votes. There were about six delegates from Mason county, Judge Redmond, at present a member of the legislature, was our chairman. I lingered behind, while the voting for the last delegate was still going on, when I found to my dismay that the choice lay between Mr. Campbell and a man from Charleston. I ran "after Redmond," whom I overtook on the pavement below, and would go back and cast the vote of our county if he did not wish to go back in the hall. He reflected a minute, and he went back with me, and in a few minutes after our return to the hall our county was called, and the votes it was entitled to were cast for the grandest man in the state.

I felt a certain pride long afterwards, that I had been instrumental in the proceedings of Judge Redmond, will bear me out in what I have written in regard to that convention.

Yours truly,
PETER LAMBRECHT.

Grafton, Feb. 14.

DR. HOWARD.

Tells his Experience with Coffee.

I am pleased to add my help to your campaign of instruction on the subject of coffee drinking. For ten or twelve years I have been a severe sufferer from that cause.

I gradually abandoned everything from time to time that I thought produced the extreme nervousness from which I suffered, and all of my very frequent calls on my fellow physicians resulted in no benefit until I was advised to do without coffee.

My condition at that time was such that I was certain that I had heart disease in one of its worst forms. Many a night I have retired not expecting to live to see morning. The action was so feeble and slow that it would run as slow as 25 to 30, and never, unless I was taking severe exercise or using some stimulant.

My experience in examining patients who presented themselves for operations under an anesthetic, led me to continually compare my condition with theirs, and life was made very miserable for me by such comparisons.

I also suffered from a constant muscular contraction of the fleshy portion of the left hand, a technical description of which I will not undertake in this letter, but I could not get rid of the trouble.

These conditions, with a constantly sour stomach, a feeling of extreme faintness about an hour before regular meals, a yellow complexion, and a general idea of the shape I was in just before I discontinued the use of coffee. It was very hard to give up coffee, but I was compelled to do so, and for a while used water and milk. Then I tried so-called cereal coffee, which I have since learned is made partly of coffee and partly of browned grains, and is sold as an imitation of your Postum. This did not work, so I went back to the water and milk until about a year ago I got hold of Postum—the genuine. Since then I have had one cup and sometimes two every morning, and frequently for dinner at night. My health was never better than it is now, no nervousness nor muscular contraction, no heart trouble, no sour stomach, and the pulse running from 70 to 75.

At the time I was suffering from the effects of coffee, I made application for some life insurance, and was rejected on account of the action of my heart. I have since the abstinence of coffee and the drinking of Postum will do, and has done for me. I will say that in March last I was examined for life insurance and passed a most excellent examination. Having gone through the very disagreeable experience and been relieved from the trouble, it is but natural that I should feel a willingness to assist you all I can in your work for I do not believe one person in ten has a realizing sense of the damage to the nervous system caused by the consumption of coffee.

Dr. C. W. Howard, Watertown, N. Y.

A MOTHER'S AGONY.

Had to Stand Helpless and see her Four Children Burn to Death.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17.—A special dispatch to the Evening Telegram from Du Bois, Pa., says:

A dwelling house at French Run, thirty-five miles east of Du Bois, belonging to a woodsman named Carlson, was burned to-day. Carlson was away from home but his wife and five little children were in the house. The mother was awakened by the noise of crackling wood and had just time to grasp her baby and jump from a second story window into the snow. She was then obliged to stand and witness the burning to death of her four other little ones, aged twelve, seven, five and two years respectively.

Burke's Reply.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 17.—State Senator Vernon Burke has filed an answer in the circuit court to-day to the disbarment proceedings which were brought against him. He denies that he is guilty of misconduct as an attorney, or that there was any conspiracy between himself and Judge Dellenbaugh. He admits that he arranged a settlement of the Manning allocation of affection case, and received the sum of \$10,000 in full satisfaction of Mrs. Manning's claim.

He also admits that he received \$2,500 in fees in the case, and that he paid Judge Dellenbaugh \$1,100 for services rendered by the latter in the matter. It is understood Burke's trial will commence to-morrow.

B. & O. Main Line Clear.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 17.—The snow has been removed from all the Baltimore tracks except on the Valley branch, where ten inches of snow fell last night. All the main lines are clear. Regular schedules have been resumed and trains are running with but little delay. The entire service will be resumed as soon as connecting lines are in condition to receive consignments.

BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and About the City Given in a Nutshell.

Mainee at the Opera House this afternoon.

Grand to-night—"Pulse of the Great Metropolis."

Matinee at the Grand this afternoon—"Kathleen."

Opera House to-night—"Other People's Money."

The Auditorium Club will give its fortnightly hop Monday evening, at Pythian Castle.

Charles Watkins—not the city clerk—was in jail for drunkenness and fighting by Squire Habersfield yesterday.

It is rumored the Wheeling & Elm Grove Railway Company will set up that overturned station at Selbert's Garden—at least, Charley Selbert says so.

Inspector Haller, of the water board office, is very busy repairing leaks in the supply pipes. In one square, on the South Side, Chapline street, below Twenty-second, there are seven leaks.

The circuit court has granted a writ of prohibition in the case of the First Presbyterian church of Maryland's Ferry, vs. McClain & Co., prohibiting further proceedings in Squire Rogers's court.

Mr. A. C. Buck, of New Jersey, the gospel singer, who is assisting in the special services at the Baptist church, will sing and speak at the Y. M. C. men's meeting Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. All men will be welcome.

John Weimer, Jr., yesterday preferred charges of assault and battery against Harry Miller, Robert Cole and Charles Bowers, of the East End, but the cases were dismissed by Squire Fitzpatrick for lack of evidence.

Yesterday, in the circuit court, the jury in the case of Snyder's administrator vs. the Wheeling Electrical Company was out the entire day, and at 6 p. m. returned to the court room, and reported to Judge Hervey its inability to arrive at a verdict. The jury was adjourned until this morning.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors.

C. H. Richardson, of Elizabeth, is a guest at the Stamm.

F. F. Martin registered from Fairmont at the Windsor yesterday.

E. P. Mobley, a Baltimore & Ohio man, of Grafton, was at the McClure last night.

Aaron W. Bogard, of the South Side, whose ankle was broken some time since, has the cast taken off yesterday, and is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Jessie Campbell Nave left for her home in St. Joseph, Mo., yesterday, after attending the funeral here of her father, the late A. W. Campbell.

West Virginia arrivals at the Howell yesterday were Robert C. Meldrum, of Charleston; J. W. W. of Parkersburg; Martin Dayhuff and daughter, of Volcano, and Levi Tucker, of New Martinsville.

Prof. E. J. State, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., who is ill, at his home, on Fifteenth street, was removed yesterday to the City Hospital. His brother, W. L. State, of Springfield, O., was telegraphed for, and is here with him.

NATIONAL COUNCIL

Of Women in Session at Washington Interesting Proceedings.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—At to-day's session of the National council of Women, Mrs. Eliza M. Putnam, of Oxford, N. Y., and Superintendent of the State Woman's Relief Corps Home, delivered an address, making a strong plea for higher patriotism. She said no star in the crown of the nineteenth century will shine greater than women's work and women's progress, and that it was left to the American women to bring about a political millennium. Notwithstanding the advance of women into trade, medicine, law and every walk of life, women had not neglected their peculiar charge, the home, ever whose sanctity they stood a firm and constant guard. She pleaded for legislation to stem the tide of immigration.

"We are most dishonestly served," she asserted, "and we know it. Public corruption has now reached a point where it does not shock us, and we are callous to the sale of seats in the senate."

Dr. Mary E. Green, of Michigan, presented a report from the committee on domestic science, reviewing its labors, and Maria Purdy Peck, of Iowa, made an address on the beginning of literature and art in America. A general discussion of various recommendations made by the president of the council regarding the council cabinet then followed.

The afternoon session, beginning at 2 o'clock, was devoted to a special session in memorial of Frances E. Willard.

A Legacy of the Cold Wave.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 17.—The cold wave has left in its wake among other things a car famine that is the greatest that the railroads have experienced for years. On all of the roads loaded freight cars are tied up, and it will be many days before a sufficient number can be obtained to supply the demand that is now being made for them. There is no exception to the rule of shortage, all roads experiencing it, and it is doubtful if the congestion will be relieved for a month.

After Thawing Machines.

NANAIMO, B. C., Feb. 17.—Among the passengers on the steamer Amur was M. Marks, an Australian mining expert, who has come from Dawson for the purpose of obtaining thawing machines. These, he says, are being successfully used in Arctic mining. Machines now in operation thaw from ten to twelve feet per day as against three feet by the old process. He estimates this year's output of the Klondike country at \$15,000,000. Good coal is said to have been found a few miles from Dawson.

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Above all it banishes melancholy and restores the lively spirits, vivacity, light, elastic step and exuberant life, energy and enjoyment which constitute happiness to women. Dr. Greene's Nervura does all this because it makes weak women strong and sick women well, and thus prevents them from growing old before their time. It makes them look young and feel young, for it braces women up as nothing else in the world can. Try Dr. Greene's Nervura; you will never regret it. Use it now, for you certainly need a spring remedy, and Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy is the best of all spring remedies.

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